- 1-36 (canceled)
- 37. (newly amended) The product fabric of claims 1 82. or 14 83. or 27 84 forming at least a part of a single or multi-layer incontinent textile article.

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- 38. (newly amended) The product fabric of claim 37, wherein said article is a garment.
- 39. (newly amended) The product <u>fabric</u> of claim 37, wherein said article is a linen.
- 40. (newly amended) The product fabric of claim 37 wherein said article is a bed pack pad, mattress pad or absorbent pad or bed linens.
- 41. (newly amended) The product fabric of claim 37 wherein said article is prepared of woven fabric, non-woven fabric, or knitted fabric.
- 42. (newly amended) The <u>product fabric of claim 37</u> wherein said article is a diaper.
- 43. (newly amended) The product fabric of claim 37 wherein said article includes an absorbent pad.
- 44. (newly amended) The product fabric of claim 37 including a wick layer and an absorbent layer.
- 45. (newly amended) The product <u>fabric</u> of claim 44 wherein the layer which is intended to be against a wearer's skin is made of anti-microbial fibers.
- 46. (newly amended) The product fabric of claim 37 wherein said article is underwear.
- 47. (newly amended) The product fabric of claim 37 wherein said article is pajamas.
  - 48-53 canceled.
- 54. (newly amended) The product fabric of claim 27 84 forming wherein in at least part of a the fabric wherein PETG is used as the carrier for color pigments for said fabric.
- 55. (newly amended) The product <u>fabric</u> of claim 54 wherein the PETG has been melted as a low temperature and has had an anti-microbial and/or a colorant added thereto prior to melting.

Cancel claims 56-61.

- 62. (newly amended) The [product] <u>fabric</u> of any of claims [1 or 14 or 27] <u>82</u>, <u>83 or 84</u> forming at least part of a multi-layer partition or as a fabric for office, hospital, waiting area, classrooms, busses, cars, and the like and also curtains, upholstery, carpets and bedspreads.
  - 63. Canceled.
  - 64. Canceled.
- 65. (newly amended) The product fabric of any of claims A or B or C 82, 83 or 84 forming at least in part institutional and home furnishings, including bed sheets, pillow cases, mattress pads, blankets, towels, drapes, bedspreads, pillow shams, carpets, walk-off mats, napkins, linens, wall coverings, upholstered furniture, liners, mattress ticking, mattress filling, pillow filling, carpet pads, and upholstery fabric.

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- 66. (newly amended) The product fabric of any of claims 82, 83 or 84 forming at least in part athletic clothing, athletic wear liners and component fabrics. Cancel claims 67-71.
- 72. (newly amended) The product fabric of any of claims A or B or C 82, 83 or 84 forming at least in part a laundry bag.
- 73. (newly amended) The product fabric of any of claims 82, 83 or 84 forming at least in part a piece of apparel.
- 74. (currently amended) The product fabric of any of claims 1 or 14 or 27 82, 83 or 84 forming at least in part a nautical fabric.

75-81 canceled.

Please add new claims 82, 83, 84 and 85 as follows:

- 82. (new) An anti-microbial article, comprising:
- a. a multi-layer fabric,
- b. said article being made of a bi-component fiber, including:

- c. a first component of a high tenacity polymer having between 20-80% of the fiber by weight and constituting a core; and
- d. a second component of a hydrolysis resistant polymer, including PETG, having between 80-20% of the fiber by weight and constituting a sheath surrounding the core, and including an additive; and the additive in said second component ranging from 0.1% to 20% by weight of the fiber and being selected from the group consisting of pigments, compounds creating a hydrophilic surface, and anti-microbial, anti-fungal and anti-odor materials.
- 83. (new) An anti-microbial article, comprising: a fabric, including:
- (a) a binder fiber made from low temperature polymer, including PETG, with a melting or softening temperature below 200 degrees C;
- (b) an anti-microbial additive of an inorganic compound made from a metal chosen from the group consisting of copper, zinc, tin and silver added to the binder fiber, the additive ranging from 0.1 to 20% by weight of the fiber; and
- (c) fibers which are free of anti-microbial additive being blended with said binder fiber, said blend of fibers having been heated to its melting temperature, thereby providing a fiber blend which can be used to produce an anti-microbial finished fabric able to withstand significant wear and washings and maintain its effectiveness.
- 84. (new) The fabric of claim 73, wherein the apparel is at least one of underwear, pajamas, athletic clothing, clothing liners, T-shirts, bicycle pants and shirts, crotch liners, sweat suits, athletic supporters, stretch pants, long underwear, socks,

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Please amend the Abstract of the Disclosure as follows:

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